

Today's News - September 27, 2004

Letters of Interest due for quilt center. -- Report shows good design is good for hospitals' bottom line. -- Directory of construction waste recyclers now online. -- Minority architects being overlooked by U.K. housing associations: "Is it name and shame time?" -- Libeskind, Arad, and Calatrava actually talk to each other. -- Big plans for a stretch of the Delaware River (New Jersey side). -- Mass transit misses on a few points (like parking). -- Pelli is a winner in Connecticut. -- Cardiff is a winner with new Millennium Centre (no, it's not Hadid's). -- Curious stares and barbed comments for Foster's Supreme Court building in Singapore. -- A not-so-inspired addition for St. Louis cultural center. -- First we had NIMBY's, now we have NAMBIES (Neighbors Against McMansions: Big Invasive Eyesores...sign us up!). -- Open House New York to open doors to 100 buildings in one weekend. -- Istanbul launches its first Architecture Festival. -- A young architect defining design in Mexico. -- BBC TV now stars a Venetian architect billed as a "thinking woman's hunk" ("starchitect" is so passé). -- Q&A with Bruce Mau: "If automotive design were advancing at the rate of architecture, our cars would still be made of wood." -- Not if the MIT/Gehry team has anything to do with cars of the future.

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[Request for Letters of Interest: Design Competition for the International Quilt Study Center at the University of Nebraska; deadline October 5](#)- University of Nebraska

[Report: The Business Case for Better Buildings: Better Hospital Buildings Cost More, But Pay for Themselves Through Increased Revenue & Operational Savings \[pdf\]](#)- Center for Health Design

[Searchable National Database of Construction Waste Recyclers Now Available Online](#)- General Services Administration (GSA)

[Why don't housing associations hire these architects? ...housing associations are failing to call on ethnic-minority architects when building new schemes. Is it name and shame time?](#) - Elsie Owusu; Wilfred Achille; Knak Design; Society of Black Architects (SOBA)- BD/Building Design (UK)

[WTC Architects: Transcript of First-Ever Discussion Among All Three Ground Zero Designers, Libeskind, Arad and Calatrava...at Learning from Lower Manhattan, a national conference...](#)- Gotham Gazette

[Visions of an Another Trendy Enclave: Pennsauken \[New Jersey\], an aging blue-collar town, sees its future in the river...imagining this seven-mile stretch of riverfront real estate transformed by \\$1 billion in new development.](#) - Robert A.M. Stern- New York Times

[Searching for Validation: Mass Transit Has Its Limits: ...national Rail-Volution conference...support for mass transit remains high...remains the last resort in transportation.](#) By Sam Hall Kaplan- LA Downtown News

[Pelli Tapped To Build \[\\$150 million\] Connecticut Science & Exploration Center...planned for Adriaen's Landing in Hartford. \[images\]](#)- Hartford Courant (Connecticut)

[Inside the whale: Cardiff's £106m Millennium Centre seeks to celebrate and amplify Welsh culture.](#) Jonathan Glancey is impressed. - Percy Thomas Architects- Guardian (UK)

[it's a revolving restaurant, a research lab...No, it's the Supreme Court...drawing curious stares and barbed comments](#) - Foster and Partners- The Straights Times (Singapore)

[Center for Cultural Arts addition can't live up to original's inspired architecture.](#) By Robert W. Duffy - Erich Mendelsohn (1952); Trivers Associates [image]- St. Louis Post-Dispatch

[Group of Grove-ites tries to stave off a McMansion: NAMBIES stands for Neighbors Against McMansions: Big Invasive Eyesores.](#) By Beth Dunlop- Miami Herald

[See 100 buildings: Open House New York to offer look at architecture and design](#)
October 9-10- Weehawken Reporter

[1st Istanbul Architecture Festival: "Light But Heavy"](#) - October 4-9- Arkitera Architecture Center (Istanbul)

[His designs help define a new Mexico: Architect straddles past and future, is seen as 'a man of his time'](#) - Juan Pablo Serrano Orozco- Dallas Morning News

[Lost in the city with Signor Venezia: Aristocrat, architect, film-maker and, now, 'thinking woman's hunk'. Count Francesco da Mosto is the BBC's latest engaging, enthusiastic TV historian...](#)- Telegraph (UK)

[Designs for Living: Questions for Bruce Mau - "If automotive design were advancing at the rate of architecture, our cars would still be made of wood."](#)- New York Times Magazine

[The car of the future is a work in progress: MIT students eye nuts and bolts: Can the car be a good citizen for the city?](#) - Frank Gehry- Boston Globe

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